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COLOMBIA.

Bocas del Toro.—Acting Assistant Surgeon Mohr reports, May 20, as follows:

I have the honor to submit report for the week ended Friday, May 19, 1899.

The following vessels have sailed from this port for ports in the United States: May 13, steamship *Kitty*, Olsen, 17 crew, for Mobile, no passengers. May 17, steamship *John Wilson*, Olsen, 16 crew, for Mobile, 7 passengers. May 18, steamship *Franklin*, Rasmussen, 14 crew, for New Orleans, no passengers.

The health of this port and the surrounding country continues to be very good. Local physicians report little sickness of any kind. As near as I have been able to ascertain, the following deaths have occurred during the week: One male, white, empyema; 1 male, black, aortic aneurism; 1 female, native, pelvic peritonitis.

A priest recently arrived from Panama brings a report to the effect that about a fortnight ago there occurred a death from yellow fever in the person of a Catholic priest in the city of Panama. The deceased had come from Cartagena, and in traveling through the country had been greatly exposed to the sun and to drenching rains, which, the reporter states, was the cause of his illness. However, the case was pronounced to be yellow fever, and all sanitary precautions had been taken in the way of destruction of bedding, etc., and disinfection of the premises, and no other cases had since appeared.

The consul-general of the United States passed through this place a few weeks ago, and he promised to keep me informed as to health conditions on the isthmus, but thus far I have heard nothing from him regarding the above case.

I have cautioned all owners of sloops and schooners plying to Colon to keep a strict watch on their passenger traffic.

Respectfully, yours, HERMAN B. MOHR,
Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

COSTA RICA.

Port Limon.—Acting Assistant Surgeon Carson reports, May 19, as follows:

I respectfully report herewith the continued excellent sanitary condition of the town and department of Limon, Costa Rica. The Costa Rica Railway Hospital, Limon, is without a patient, and there have been no admissions lately into the Limon Charity Hospital. A death from pernicious anæmia occurred in the latter hospital yesterday, the 18th inst. He had been an inmate for many weeks.

Inclosed is the triplicate copy of United States consular bill of health issued to steamship *Hispania*, which clears this Friday morning, the 19th instant, direct for New Orleans, with 7 cabin passengers, whose baggage has been thoroughly disinfected.

NICARAGUA.

Bluefields.—Acting Assistant Surgeon Goodman reports, May 10, as follows: I have the honor to report that the health of Bluefields and surrounding country is good.

May 18, as follows: I have the honor to report that recently I have visited villages and communities near Bluefields, whose inhabitants